

## CHAPTER 551

(Senate Bill 333)

## AN ACT concerning

## Appellate Judicial Selection and Tenure

FOR the purpose of proposing amendments to the Constitution of Maryland relating to the selection and tenure of certain judges; [[creating an Appellate Judicial Nominating Commission and providing for its composition and duties; requiring the appointment of certain judges by the Governor from among the nominees of this Commission;]] providing for a method of filling vacancies in the office of a judge of an appellate court; providing for non-contested elections of appellate judges at certain intervals; setting the terms of such judges; deleting references to the contested election of certain judges; providing for the eligibility of members of the General Assembly for judicial office; making interim provision for certain incumbent judges; and submitting these amendments to the qualified voters of the State for adoption or rejection.

BY proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Maryland

Article IV - Judiciary Department  
Sections 5, 11, and 14

BY proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Maryland  
BY adding to

Article IV - Judiciary Department  
Section 5A

BY proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Maryland  
BY adding to

Article IV - Judiciary Department  
Section 18B, to be under the new subtitle "Part IIA  
- Interim Provisions"

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, (Three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses concurring), That the following be and the same is hereby proposed as an amendment to Sections 5, 11, and 14 of Article IV - Judiciary Department, of the Constitution of Maryland, the same, if